

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1115
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COMMITTEE ON EROSION
RUPCHAND PAL

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether high level expert committee set up to study the erosion problem in the critical reaches of Ganges has since submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the findings thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

- (a) Yes, Sir. The High Level Expert Committee(HLEC)to study erosion problems in critical reaches of Ganga between Buxar and Mokama has submitted its report.
- (b) The Committee in its findings has identified the critical areas/sites and suggested a number of short term and long term measures to tackle the problem of erosion caused by river Ganga between Buxar and Mokama. The Committee has stressed upon taking up the morphological studies and hydraulic model studies to know, more precisely, the erosion behaviour of the river and various factors responsible for it. The Committee has further emphasized on people's participation in the flood control and anti erosion works, maintenance of embankments and meeting flood emergencies.
- (c) The report has been sent to the concerned State Governments for necessary follow up action on the various recommendations of the Committee.